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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

1. (Currently Amended) A particle size distribution measuring apparatus comprising:

a sample cell;

a light source section of irradiating two or more laser lights having a plurality of

wavelengths to the sample cell;

at least two detectors configured to measure the an intensity of a direct light passing

through the sample cell and light scattered by said particles at respective scattering angles,

each detector configured to measure the intensity of light of one of the plurality of

wavelengths within the same measuring range; and

an arithmetic processing section configured to determine the particle size distribution

by using the intensity of the laser light at a the first wavelength for the region of the particle

size having low sensitivity, and a laser light at a and second wavelengths in the whole range

of the particle size to be measured to be measured by the detectors.

2. (Original) The apparatus of claimed 1 wherein said light source section further

comprises a plurality of light sources capable of irradiating laser lights at a plurality of

different wavelengths.

3. (Previously Amended) The apparatus as claimed 1 wherein said detector is

configured to measure the intensity of the direct light and light scattered by said particles at

respective scattering angles irrespective of the wavelength of the laser light.

4. (Previously Amended) The apparatus of claim 1 where said light source irradiates

laser light at plurality of wavelengths sequentially.

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5. (Previously Amended) The apparatus of claim1 further comprising a shutter configured to transmitting laser light of a selected wavelength and prevent the transmission of laser light at another wavelength.

6. (Original)The apparatus of claim 1 wherein said light source section irradiates a first laser light having a first wavelength and at least a second laser light having a second wavelength, wherein said first wavelength is at least 1.5 times larger than said second wavelength.